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Kentucky Labor Cabinet to Hold Free OSHA Training in Northern Kentucky

Free courses August 10-13 at Maysville Community and Technical College

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Aug. 3, 2015) – The Kentucky Labor Cabinet will hold free informational and training courses August 10-13 on safety and health topics that can benefit all workers and employers in Kentucky. The training will be held at the Maysville Community and Technical College.

Participants will be able to choose from a wide variety of topics, including an overview of the Kentucky Occupational Safety and Health Program (OSH), personal and protective equipment, hazard communication, bloodborne pathogens, powered industrial trucks, welding, injury/illness recordkeeping and working in confined spaces.

“I encourage employers to take advantage of these free health and safety courses, as they will offer valuable training to employees,” said Labor Secretary Larry L. Roberts. “Knowledge is power, and these classes can equip workers with information that will help protect them on the job.”

The courses include group-based and hands-on learning activities, and will feature presentations from the highly-trained staff of the Kentucky Labor Cabinet.

To register online, click [here](#). Participants can register at the door.

The following is a schedule of the training courses:

Monday, Aug. 10

Overview of the Kentucky OSH Program: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Topics of discussion include the operations of the Kentucky Occupational Safety and Health Program, including enforcement and voluntary compliance services, and safety and health topics currently considered for future standards and policies.

Personal Protective Equipment: 1 - 4 p.m.

Topics include an explanation of the personal protective equipment (PPE) standards, how to properly use and care for PPE, and the limitations of PPE. Guidance will also be provided on how to perform the required PPE hazard assessment for each job in the workplace.

Tuesday, Aug. 11

Hazard Communication/Global Harmonization: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

This session covers the basic legal requirements and the revised provision of the standard as they relate to the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS). Attendees will learn about chemical hazard classification, written program requirements, container labeling and other forms of warning, safety data sheets and associated deadlines.

Bloodborne Pathogens: 1 - 4 p.m.

Topics of discussion include applicable definitions, infection control, engineering and work practice controls involving bloodborne pathogens, such as hepatitis B virus and human immunodeficiency virus.

Wednesday, Aug. 12

Powered Industrial Trucks: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Attendees will learn about the basic aspects of powered industrial trucks (primarily fork lifts), operator training requirements, safe truck operations (including traveling and safety belts), equipment modifications and associated hazards.

Note: This course will not provide operator certification under 1910.178(L).

Welding: 1 - 4 p.m.

This session includes the various types of welding processes such as oxy-acetylene, TIG, MIG, and open arc, PPE, safety and health hazard recognition and control, and Kentucky OSH requirements.

Thursday, Aug. 13

Injury and Illness Recordkeeping: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

This session is for those persons responsible for maintaining the revised injury and illness records. The forms 300, 301 and 300A will be covered. The regulations and guidelines for recordkeeping will be discussed, as well as the compliance directive the Kentucky OSH compliance officer will use to evaluate employers' records. A recordkeeping example workshop will be part of the course, time permitting.

Note: Participants will receive an OSHA Training Institute certificate for this class from Eastern Kentucky University's OSHA Training Institute Education Center.

Permit Required Confined Space: 1 - 4 p.m.

This session explains the regulations regarding entry into and working in confined spaces. Topics include developing a written program, training employees, permit systems, rescue operations and employee participation.

About the free training courses

Each year the Labor Cabinet presents a series of cost-free courses at major population centers throughout Kentucky. These courses are for both employers and employees, and are typically given over a one-week period in each population center. The courses are designed to outline the requirements contained in the various subparts of the general industry and construction standards, covering both safety and health issues.

The final scheduled round of free courses this year will be in Louisville Oct. 5-8. Those courses will be held at the union hall of the United Automobile Workers Local 862, which is on Fern Valley Road.

The classes will be available for viewing and online registration approximately four weeks prior to each session. The complete schedule will be available on the Labor Cabinet's website, www.labor.ky.gov.

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responsibilities, power, and authority relating to labor, wage and hour issues, occupational safety and health of employees, child labor, apprenticeship, workers' compensation insurance, and all other matters under the jurisdiction of the Labor Cabinet. For more information, visit www.labor.ky.gov.

